

## Eddie Sleeper, Committee Clerk

Thank You,

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\_I live in Whispering Oaks Condominiums. The 37 range buildings, made up of 4 units each totally 148 individually owned units. Seventy four of the units are end units. These end units have two meters mounted together on their master bedroom wall. Owners are mostly retired. A population of mostly seniors, the vast majority with health concerns.

\_2014 I received notice that DTE would be out in next few weeks to install my new meter.

\_A week later I become one of the few informed of all the peer review science testing and documentation.

\_My immediate concern at the time was I had just started to undergo a two years of chemo treatment and I immediately was concern being my recovery room has two meters mounted together on my bedroom wall.

\_I immediately called to talk with a representative who would only continued to repeat - if you do not want a smart meter I'll put you on the Opt - Out meter list. Nevertheless, I let her know that at this time the Opt - Out was not the answer to all our concerns. For one it also was known to have negative health effects as it was shown to change the electrical flow throughout the house from an alternating current to a dirty, spiky form of current

\_I could never connect with a DTE representative who would be even willing to discuss my peer – review informed concerns. At this point my neighbor Joanne and I, (both meters on my master bedroom wall) and the next building over Bill and Deborah, (both meters on Bill's bedroom wall), chain locked our meters.

\_The four of us held our ground starting Sept 2014 up until receiving the third and final shut off notice which was scheduled to be enforced on or after Dec 19 2016.

\_At the time we learn that even some of the most knowledgeable and experienced among us were now living with the hardships of generator power having had their electrical service shut off. We came together deciding we could not allow our power to be shut off.

\_One week before the Monday 12/19/2016 deadline we each called the number on the Shut of Notice letting them know that there was no way we could go without power. We were willing under the state of duress to accept the Radio – Off - Meter being it is not the true solution in so many ways.

\_ I myself have bills showing I've spent over 1,000\$ buying metering equipment and filters to bring what I have been advised as being detrimental health reading way down to more acceptable ranges throughout my house.

**\_I do not claim to be an expert as to the pros and cons that will result from the implementation of electrical smart technology however I find it hard to accept DTE' representatives being they are not speaking from their area of expertise and yet assume the position.**

There is tons of professional peer – review studies, testing, and documentation which raise concerns.

I agree with DTE's patent answer – Don't Worry about It. However I do not agree that the testing, investigation, and conversation stops there. ***I whole heartily support HB 4220.***

Let us do something about this. Let us not let things continue to grow out of hand.

\_Power will never cease to try to gain control. It never has and never will. Show me just what a people will silently submit to and you can determine the exact measure of wrong and injustice that will be imposed upon them.

Thanks You,  
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